



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Mark J. CLIFFORD et al.

Serial No.: 10/601,300

Filed: June 18, 2003

For: **METHODS AND DEVICES FOR
CUTTING AND COLLECTING
SOFT TISSUE**

Atty. Docket No.: RUBI5850

) Examiner: Jonathan M. FOREMAN

) Art Unit: 3736

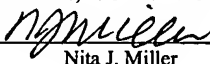
) Confirmation No.: 5880

) Customer No.: 22430

) **INFORMATION DISCLOSURE**
) **STATEMENT**

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.8

I hereby certify that this paper and the paper(s) referred to herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class mail with sufficient postage addressed to Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on September 26, 2005.


Nita J. Miller

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants wish to bring to the attention of the Patent Office the references listed on the attached forms PTO/SB/08A and PTO/SB/08B, and request that they be considered by the Examiner. Enclosed herewith are copies of Cite Nos. 4 and 5. The other references cited on the attached are U.S. patent documents and, therefore, no copies are being provided herewith.

This information disclosure statement is being filed under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c)(2) and, therefore, attached is a check to cover the fees due under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) in the amount of \$180 (Fee Code 1806).

Respectfully submitted,

Date: Sept. 26, 2005

By: 

Alan W. Young
Attorney for Applicants
Registration No. 37,970

09/30/2005 MBELETE1 00000038 10601300

02 FC:1806

180.00 OP

YOUNG LAW FIRM, P.C.
4370 Alpine Rd., Ste. 106
Portola Valley, CA 94028
Tel.: (650) 851-7210
Fax: (650) 851-7232

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449/PTO

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT**

(Use as many sheets as necessary)

Complete if Known

Application Number	10/601,300
Filing Date	June 18, 2003
First Named Inventor	Mark J. CLIFFORD
Art Unit	3736
Examiner Name	Jonathan M. FOREMAN
Attorney Docket Number	RUBI5850

Sheet 2 of 2

NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	T ²
	4	International Search Report mailed April 13, 2005, in corresponding International Application No. PCT/US04/19493, filed June 17, 2004 (3pgs).	
	5	Written Opinion mailed April 13, 2005, in corresponding International Application No. PCT/US04/19493, filed June 17, 2004 (3pgs).	

Examiner
SignatureDate
Considered

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached. This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.